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MEDIA RELEASE

Date: May 28, 2016

Incident Number: 16-0039663

Information Contact: Tony Hill, Battalion Chief Incident Type: Vehicle Accident with Injuries Date/Time of Incident: May 28, 2016, 4:20 AM

Incident Location: NB 101 / E Main St

Cause: Under Investigation

Injuries: 1

Number of Personnel: 11

Fire Equipment: 2 Paramedic Engines, 1 Support, 1 Command

Agencies Involved: Ventura City Fire, American Medical Response, CHP

Narrative: Ventura City Fire Department responded to a report of a vehicle off the roadway with a report of a trapped victim. When fire crews arrive they discovered a small Honda SUV that had hit a eucalyptus tree at a high rate of speed, crushing the vehicle and trapping the driver. Firefighters using hydraulic rescue tools to cut and pry the vehicle from the victim were able to free the trapped driver 32 minutes after their arrival. While the extrication was taking place, additional firefighters worked to clear debris and suppress any fire potential from the vehicles leaking fluids.

The cause of the incident remains under investigation by the California Highway Patrol. No rescuers were injured as a result of this incident.

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